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Sir:

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In reply to the Office Action dated October 11, 2002, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the claimed invention in view of the following amendments and remarks. A one-month Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee accompany this Response and Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 4-17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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